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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation
and National Security Investigation of E-Systems Contracts

25X1 1. ☐ Roger Carroll, GAO Investigator detailed to the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security, informed me on 28 April 1978 that he had completed his investigation conducted on behalf of Chairman Jack Brooks (D., Texas) personally. The investigation was conducted to determine if ☐ was given preferential treatment in the awarding of contracts. The investigation principally involved the Department of Defense and CIA to a limited extent.

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25X1 2. ☐ Carroll informed me that he found no evidence that CIA gave ☐ preferential treatment in the awarding of contracts and so reported to Chairman Brooks. He made only a passing reference to CIA in his report. An excerpt from a page of the report mentioning CIA is an attachment to the attached Memorandum For the Record by ☐ of OLC. He expressed appreciation for the cooperation extended to him by the Agency. He confirmed the initial agreement that the investigation was solely for Chairman Brooks, not GAO, and that he will not divulge any information relative to his investigation to GAO. He also confirmed that GAO accepted this arrangement when he was given the assignment.

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25X1 3. ☐ Mr. Carroll was granted a clearance for limited access to compartmented information for his investigation. He was formally debriefed on 12 May 1978 and signed a Termination Secrecy Agreement. On that date he also signed an Addendum to the Agreement not to disclose any CIA information provided to him by CIA to anyone in GAO.

25X1 4. ☐ On 13 May 1978, Mr. Earl Rieger, staff member of the Subcommittee, called and requested that I hold the original signed Termination Secrecy Agreements for Chairman Brooks' review. Rieger claimed that Carroll had been told not to sign the Agreements until reviewed by Mr. Brooks. I explained to Rieger that the Agreements were purely administrative routine to remove Carroll from the access lists. Also, copies of the signed Agreements were provided to Mr. Brooks the same day they were signed.

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5. ☐ Since I have heard nothing from Mr. Rieger to date, this matter is considered closed. The original Secrecy Agreements were forwarded to the Office of Security.



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Acting Chief, Coordination and Review Staff
Office of Legislative Counsel

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12 May 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Roger A. Carroll, a GAO investigator, who was Detailed to the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation & National Security, for a Debriefing of his Compartmented Clearance

25X1 1. [] I met this morning with Mr. Roger A. Carroll, a GAO investigator, who was detailed to the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation & National Security. Mr. Carroll conducted an investigation on behalf of Chairman Jack Brooks (D., Texas) to determine if [] 25X1 was given preferential treatment in the awarding of contracts by Government agencies, including the Department of Defense and CIA. Mr. Carroll's report contains only a passing mention of CIA. A copy of that page of the report referencing CIA is attached.

25X1 2. [] Mr. Carroll noted that the last sentence of the second paragraph concerns his investigation at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. The main body of the report is directed toward Army contracting procedures as the Army was chosen, according to Mr. Carroll, as the "easiest target" for the first investigation. 25X1

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25X1 4. [] Mr. Carroll signed Form 3968, Termination Secrecy Agreement Classified Sensitive Compartmented Information, removing his compartmented clearance. Mr. Carroll additionally signed an addendum to this agreement, which I prepared, promising that he would not reveal any of the information which he learned regarding CIA contracting to his colleagues at GAO.

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Assistant Legislative Counsel

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